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Hon. Pat Miller  
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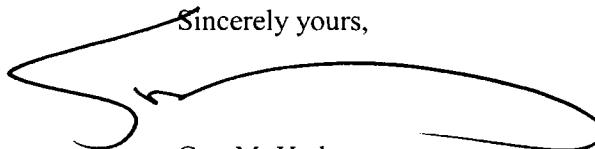
Re *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Connection Inc. of America Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*  
Docket No. 05-00/22

Dear Chairman Miller:

Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Global Connection Inc. of America and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. are hereby submitting to the Tennessee Regulatory Authority the original and fourteen copies of the attached Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated May 31, 2004. The Amendment modifies Attachment 2 to the Agreement.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,



Guy M. Hicks

cc. Bassam Abdallah, Global Connection Inc. of America

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
Nashville, Tennessee

In re: *Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement Negotiated by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. and Global Connection Inc. of America Pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*

Docket No. \_\_\_\_\_

**PETITION FOR APPROVAL OF THE**  
**AMENDMENT TO THE INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT**  
**NEGOTIATED BETWEEN BELL SOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.**  
**AND GLOBAL CONNECTION INC. OF AMERICA**  
**PURSUANT TO THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT OF 1996**

COME NOW, Global Connection Inc. of America ("Global Connection") and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., ("BellSouth"), and file this request for approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement dated May 31, 2004 (the "Amendment") negotiated between the two companies pursuant to Sections 251 and 252 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, (the "Act"). In support of their request, Global Connection and BellSouth state the following:

1. Global Connection and BellSouth have successfully negotiated an agreement for interconnection of their networks, the unbundling of specific network elements offered by BellSouth and the resale of BellSouth's telecommunications services to Global Connection. The Interconnection Agreement was approved by the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("TRA") on May 10, 2004.

2. The parties have recently negotiated an Amendment to the Agreement which modifies Attachment 2 to the Agreement. A copy of the Amendment is attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference.

3. Pursuant to Section 252(e) of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Global Connection and BellSouth are submitting their Amendment to the TRA for its consideration and approval. The Amendment provides that either or both of the parties is authorized to submit this Amendment to the TRA for approval.

4. In accordance with Section 252(e) of the Act, the TRA is charged with approving or rejecting the negotiated Amendment between BellSouth and Global Connection within 90 days of its submission. The Act provides that the TRA may only reject such an agreement if it finds that the agreement or any portion of the agreement discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement or the implementation of the agreement or any portion of the agreement is not consistent with the public interest, convenience and necessity.

5. Global Connection and BellSouth aver that the Amendment is consistent with the standards for approval

Global Connection and BellSouth respectfully request that the TRA approve the Amendment negotiated between the parties.

This 28<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2005.

Respectfully submitted,

BELLSOUTH TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC.

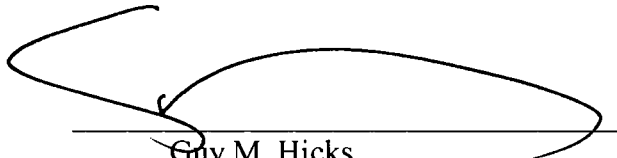
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# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Guy M. Hicks, hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing Petition for Approval of the Amendment to the Interconnection Agreement on the following via United States Mail on the 28 day of Apr., 2005:

Bassam Abdallah  
Director of Operations  
Global Connection Inc. of America  
3957 Pleasantdale Road  
Atlanta, GA 30340



Guy M. Hicks

**Amendment to the Agreement  
Between  
Global Connection Inc. of America  
and  
BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.  
Dated May 31, 2004**

Pursuant to this Amendment, (the "Amendment"), Global Connection Inc of America ("Global Connection"), and BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc ("BellSouth"), hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Parties," hereby agree to amend that certain Interconnection Agreement between the Parties dated May 31, 2004 ("Agreement") to be effective thirty (30) calendar days after the date of the last signature executing the Amendment ("Effective Date")

WHEREAS, BellSouth and Global Connection entered into the Agreement on May 31, 2004, and,

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual provisions contained herein and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which are hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby covenant and agree as follows

- 1 Delete reference to "Attachment 2 – Network Elements and Other Services" in the Table of Contents
- 2 Delete reference to "Network Elements and Other Services" in Section 31.2 of the General Terms and Conditions
- 3 Delete Attachment 2, Network Elements and Other Services, in its entirety
- 4 All of the other provisions of the Agreement, dated May 31, 2004, shall remain in full force and effect
- 5 Either or both of the Parties are authorized to submit this Amendment to the respective state regulatory authorities for approval subject to Section 252(e) of the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996

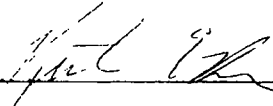
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IN WITNESS WHEREOF the Parties have executed this Amendment the day and year written below

**BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.**

**Global Connection Inc. of America**

By



Name: Kristen Rowe

Title Director

Date

3/11/05

By



Name

BASSAOUI ABDALLAH

Title

Director of operations

Date

03/11/05